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*House Meets at 12:30 p.m. for Morning Hour and
2:00 p.m. for Legislative Business
(No Votes Before 6:00 p.m.)*

Anticipated Floor Action:

H.R. 1033—Lewis and Clark Expedition Bicentennial Commemorative Coin Act

H.R. 31—Leif Ericson Millennium Commemorative Coin Act

H.Res. 25—Congratulating Peru and Ecuador for Ending Border Dispute

**H.Con.Res. 121—Sense of Congress Regarding the U.S. Victory in the Cold
War and the Fall of the Berlin Wall**

H.R. 1477—Iran Nuclear Proliferation Prevention Act

H.R. 2415—American Embassy Security Act



Bills Considered Under Suspension of the Rules

Floor Situation: The House is scheduled to consider the following five bills under suspension of the rules as its only order of business today. Each is debatable for 40 minutes, may not be amended, and requires a two-thirds majority vote for passage.

H.R. 1033—Lewis and Clark Expedition Bicentennial Commemorative Coin Act requires the Treasury Department to mint 500,000 one-dollar coins to commemorate the bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark Expedition and help raise money to defer costs of bicentennial celebrations. The coins will include the likeness of Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, and will incorporate appropriate elements recognizing Native American culture. All coins minted will include a surcharge of \$10 per coin. The proceeds will be allocated to the National Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Council and the National Park Service for activities associated with commemorating the bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. A CBO cost estimate was unavailable at press time. The bill was introduced by Mr. Bereuter *et al.* and was not considered by any committee.

H.R. 31—Leif Ericson Millennium Commemorative Coin Act requires the Treasury Department to mint and issue up to 500,000 one-dollar silver coins—along with the Republic of Iceland, which simulta-

neously plans to mint and issue its own coins—to commemorate the millenium of Leif Ericson’s discovery of the New World. The Treasury Secretary will determine the design and details of the coin after consulting with the Leifur Eirikson Foundation and the Commission of Fine Arts and a review by the Citizens Commemorative Coin Advisory Committee. All minted coins will include a surcharge of \$10 per coin. The Treasury Secretary must transfer the surcharge proceeds to the Leifur Eirikson Foundation to fund an exchange program between American and Icelandic students. The coins will be issued beginning January 1, 2000, and will conclude on December 31, 2000. A CBO cost estimate was unavailable at press time. The bill was introduced by Mr. Leach *et al.* and was not considered by a committee.

H.Res. 25 congratulates the governments of Peru and Ecuador for ending their border dispute and ceasing a conflict that has lasted for more than 50 years. The resolution also (1) commends the presidents of both nations for becoming involved in the negotiations and for reaching this historic agreement; (2) recognizes the commitment of the president of the guarantor nations of Argentina, Brazil, and Chile, along with the U.S., in seeking a viable solution to the border dispute; (3) urges both governments to honor the border settlement and to cooperate in bringing peace; and (4) reaffirms the U.S. commitment to support both governments in implementing the border agreement. The bill was introduced by Mr. Gallegly and was reported by the International Relations Committee by voice vote on July 1, 1999.

H.Con.Res. 121 urges America’s leaders to call for a celebration of the U.S. victory in the Cold War and the 10th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall. Furthermore, the resolution seeks to (1) promote education about the Cold War and its historical significance; (2) celebrate peace, freedom, and the principles of democratic government; (3) honor and reflect upon the role of the U.S. in the international struggle for individual human rights and the evolution of the free enterprise system; and (4) recognize the veterans who served during the Cold War. The bill was introduced by Mr. Miller *et al.* and was reported by the International Relations Committee by voice vote on July 1, 1999.

H.R. 1477—Iran Nuclear Proliferation Prevention Act amends the 1961 Foreign Assistance Act to authorize the U.S. to withhold voluntary proportional assistance for programs and projects of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) relating to the development and completion of the Bushehr nuclear power plant in Iran. Currently, the U.S. provides more than 25 percent of the IAEA’s total budget and 32 percent (\$18.3 million in voluntary contributions for FY 1999) of the funding for the Technical Assistance and Cooperation Fund. In addition, H.R. 1477 expresses the sense of Congress that the U.S. government should pursue internal reforms at the IAEA to ensure that all programs and projects funded under the Technical Cooperation and Assistance Fund of the agency are compatible with U.S. nuclear nonproliferation policy and international nuclear nonproliferation norms.

The bill also requires the Secretary of State to mandate that IAEA Technical Assistance and Cooperation Fund projects (1) are consistent with U.S. nuclear nonproliferation and safety goals; (2) will not provide Iran with training or expertise relating to the development of nuclear weapons; and (3) are not being used as a cover to allow the acquisition of sensitive nuclear technology. Finally, the bill requires the Secretary of State to report to Congress on IAEA assistance to Iran and describe all IAEA programs that inadvertently support international terrorism. The bill was introduced by Mr. Menendez *et al.* and was reported by the International Relations Committee by voice vote on July 1, 1999.

Additional Information: See *Legislative Digest*, Vol. XXVIII, #21, July 16, 1999.



H.R. 2415—American Embassy Security Act

Floor Situation: The House will consider H.R. 2415 after it completes consideration of the scheduled suspensions. On Thursday, July 15, the House adopted a structured rule that provides one hour of general debate, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the International Relations Committee. The rule makes in order 41 amendments, each debatable in the order listed and for the amount of time specified below. Unless otherwise specified, each amendment is debatable for 10 minutes. The chairman of the International Relations Committee may offer *en bloc* any of the amendments listed in Part B; such an amendment will be debatable for 20 minutes. The chairman of the Committee of the Whole may postpone votes and reduce the voting time on a postponed vote to five minutes, so long as it follows a regular 15-minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

After passage, the rule makes in order a motion to consider S. 886, strike all after its enacting clause, and insert the text of the House-passed bill.

Summary: H.R. 2415 authorizes \$2.4 billion for improving embassy security, refugee assistance programs, and other international activities. It authorizes \$1.4 billion for embassy security projects, of which an additional \$254 million is earmarked for worldwide security upgrades. The measure also reauthorizes funding for the State Department and related agencies. Specifically, it authorizes such sums as necessary for (1) the diplomatic and international activities of the State Department, (2) educational and cultural exchange programs, (3) assessed contributions to the United Nations for peacekeeping efforts, and (4) contributions to other international treaty organizations. Although the measure generally allows the appropriations process to determine funding levels for these activities, it does include specific earmarks for high-priority programs.

Views: The Republican Leadership supports passage of the bill. An official Clinton administration viewpoint was unavailable at press time.

Amendments: As stated above, the rule makes in order 41 amendments, each debatable in the order listed and for the amount of time specified below. Unless otherwise specified, each amendment is debatable for 10 minutes.

— Part A Amendments —

Mr. Gilman will offer a manager's amendment to make a number of modifications to the bill. First, the amendment earmarks \$110 million of the bill's funds for a contribution to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and \$15 million (equal to the administration's request) for a grant to the Asia Foundation. In addition, the amendment:

- * modifies the 1998 Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act (*P.L. 105-277*) to require that personnel transfers as a result of State Department reorganization do not negatively affect positions of women and minorities within the administration of agencies being consolidated;
- * clarifies that the personal safety of foreigners included in U.S. international exchange programs should not be endangered because of the individual's pro-democracy beliefs. The

amendment also states that governments who deny freedom or democracy should not have influence over U.S. exchange programs;

- * requires reports on the investigation into the 1997 attacks in Cambodia that killed 17 democracy activists and wounded one American; and
- * adds a new section, the 1999 Security Assistance Act (passed by the House under suspension of the rules on June 15, 1999), to modify current laws concerning national security and international arms sales in order to increase worldwide security. Specifically, the measure (1) enhances penalties against U.S. companies that violate the Arms Export Control Act; (2) modifies security assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act and the Arms Export Control Act; (3) authorizes an increase in the War Reserve Stockpile for Allies (WRSA); and (4) authorizes the transfer of U.S. military vessels to certain countries.

Staff Contact: *Kristen Gilley, x5-5021*

Messrs. Smith (NJ) and Barcia will offer an amendment, debatable for 30 minutes, to prohibit contributions to the UN Population Fund (UNFPA) unless the organization ceases all activities in the People's Republic of China or the president states that there are no forced abortion population control programs in China. Currently, the bill authorizes a \$20 million contribution to UNFPA without restrictions concerning China. **Staff Contact:** *Catherine DuBois (Smith), x5-5748*

- * **Messrs. Campbell and Gilman** will offer a secondary amendment to the Smith amendment, debatable for 30 minutes, to restore these funds (i.e., allow the U.S. to contribute to the UNFPA); however, it specifically prohibits these U.S. funds from being spent on China or being used to fund abortions. Should UNFPA contribute funds to China, the amendment requires the U.S. to withhold an equal amount of funding to the UNFPA. **Staff Contact:** *Molly Falk (Campbell), x5-2631 and Kristen Gilley (Gilman), x5-5021*

— *Part B Amendments* —

Mr. Gejdenson will offer an amendment to authorize the Department of State to appropriate such sums as necessary to fully fund the U.S. assessment for the civil budget of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). **Staff Contact:** *Jason Gross, x6-7919*

Mr. Capuano will offer an amendment to authorize \$5 million for the State Department to develop a program to assist women in war torn areas who have been victimized by rape. Under the amendment, assistance may include, but is not limited to, education, medical expertise, supplies, services, and counseling and training. **Staff Contact:** *Michelle Mancini, x5-5111*

Mr. Sanford will offer an amendment to reduce funding for three international organizations. Specifically, the amendment reduces funding for the Asia Foundation, currently funded at \$15 million, to \$8 million, the FY 1998 level. The amendment reduces funding for the East-West Center to \$12 million (\$5.5 million less than the current bill level and equal to the FY 1998 level). Finally, bill reduces funding for the Dante B. Fascell North-South Center to \$2.5 million under the amendment, a \$1 million reduction from the current bill level. **Staff Contact:** *Brent Gibadlo, x5-3176*

Mr. Sanders will offer an amendment to authorize \$1.5 million from funds allocated for educational and cultural exchange programs to establish an Israel-Arab Peace Partners Program. The program is intended

to bring American, Israeli, and Arab participants, including young people, together to support the Middle East Peace process. *Staff Contact: Mary Richards, x5-4115*

Mr. Paul will offer an amendment to eliminate all funding allocated for the United Nations and its entities, including international peacekeeping activities and the United Nations' Population Fund. *Staff Contact: Joe Becker, x5-2831*

Mr. Rohrabacher will offer an amendment to direct the Secretary of State to create standard guidelines for commercial satellite export controls for proposed exports to allies and other friendly nations, but not to the People's Republic of China. The amendment also authorizes \$11 million for the Office of Defense Trade Controls for FY 2000 for their responsibilities with export control. Finally, it calls on the Secretary of State to report to Congress on a plan (developed by the State Department) to gather industry and public suggestions for improvements in the State Department's export control guidelines and arrange to conduct an independent review of the export control guidelines for commercial satellites and their effectiveness at promoting national security to Congress no later than 15 months after enactment of the bill. *Staff Contact: Jim Muncie, 5-8459*

Mr. Bereuter will offer an amendment authorizing budgetary scoring on leased properties annually. This amendment would help make many U.S. diplomatic posts secure by allowing lease-purchase arrangements for facilities built by the private sector. *Staff Contact: Mike Ennis, x6-7825*

Mr. Gejdenson will offer an amendment to require the State Department to report to the appropriate congressional committees on whether the global trade in small arms poses any proliferation problems. This report must include (1) estimates of the numbers and sources of legal and illicit small arms and light arms in circulation and their origins; (2) the challenges associated with monitoring small arms; and (3) the security threats posed to the U.S. by such weapons. The report also must assess whether the export of commercial small arms sold in the U.S. should be considered a foreign policy or proliferation issue, describe the adequacy of the State Department to monitor the illicit manufacture, transfer, and proliferation of small arms and light weapons, and describe the impact of the reorganization of the State Department by the 1998 Foreign Affairs and Restructuring Act on the monitoring, licensing, and international policy regarding small arms. *Staff Contact: Jason Gross, x6-7919*

Mr. Rohrabacher will offer an amendment to direct the Secretary of State to report to the Senate Appropriations, Foreign Relations, and Judiciary committees, as well as the House Appropriations, International Relations, and Judiciary committees on the March 30, 1997, grenade attack in Cambodia, which killed 17 Cambodian democratic activists and wounded one American employee of the International Republican Institute. The report, which must be issued in both classified and unclassified form, must include all communication between the U.S. embassy in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, and the U.S. Finally, the Secretary of State must release an updated report to Congress every six months detailing the investigation until its completion. *Staff Contact: Al Santoli, 5-2415*

Mr. Kucinich will offer an amendment to mandate that the Secretary of State submit a report to Congress evaluating the diplomatic initiatives taken by the U.S. and other interested countries and organizations to end of the conflict in Kosovo. The report must be written by an independent panel of experts on the conflict. *Staff Contact: Souheila Al-Jadda, x5-5871*

Mr. Sanders will offer an amendment to require the Secretary of State to establish a task force to determine eligibility guidelines for women who seek refugee status because of gender-related persecution, such

as domestic and workplace violence and female genital mutilation. It also requires the Secretary of State to submit a report to Congress outlining the guidelines of the task force no later than one year after enactment. *Staff Contact: Mary Richards, x5-4115*

Mr. Sanders will offer an amendment to prohibit State Department employees from imposing restrictions or interfering on Asian and African nations (including Israel) from importing prescription medications from the lowest-priced source available. These nations are importing the lowest-priced pharmaceuticals available in order to treat AIDS patients who cannot afford expensive medications. *Staff Contact: Mary Richards, x5-4115*

Messrs. Salmon, Andrews, and Saxton will offer an amendment to direct the Secretary of State to submit semi-annual reports on the investigations of terrorist attacks that have killed American citizens in Israel and territory administered by the Palestinian Authority. Since the signing of the 1993 Oslo Accords, at least 12 American citizens have been killed by Palestinian terrorists in Israel. *Staff Contact: Glenn Hamer (Salmon), x5-2635*

Mr. Andrews will offer an amendment to allow the Secretary of State to deny passports to noncustodial American parents who owe more than \$2,500 in child support payments. Current law allows the secretary to deny a passport to a noncustodial parent who owes \$5,000 or more. *Staff Contact: Jette Gebhart, x5-6501*

Mr. Gibbons will offer an amendment to require the Secretary of State to issue regulations authorizing that certain requirements be adhered to before a person younger than 14 years of age may be issued his or her first passport. The purpose of this amendment is to aid in ceasing cases of international parental child abduction through more stringent passport laws. *Staff Contact: Jay Cranford, x5-6155*

Mr. Ehlers will offer an amendment to establish a science and technology advisor to the Secretary of State through the Undersecretary of State of Global Affairs. The advisor will provide guidance on international science and technology matters that affect foreign policy and security. *Staff Contact: Will Plaster, x5-3831*

Ms. Capps will offer an amendment to add language to the Tibet Education and Exchange Program to direct the United States Information Agency (USIA) to consider individuals who are active in preserving Tibet's culture, language, and religion when granting scholarships under the existing education and exchange program. *Staff Contact: Jeremy Rabinovitz, x5-3601*

Mr. Engel will offer an amendment to ban exports of crime control equipment to the Royal Ulster Constabulary until independent and fair investigations are ordered on the deaths of Rosemary Nelson and Patrick Finucane. *Staff Contact: Jason Steinbaum, x5-2464*

Messrs. Gilman and Markey will offer an amendment, debatable for 60 minutes, to restrict all nuclear agreements and cooperation between the U.S. and Korea until the president reports to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the House International Relations Committee that (1) North Korea is fully complying with all international agreements regarding nuclear proliferation; (2) North Korea has permitted international organizations full access to necessary sites and information relating to nuclear proliferation; (3) North Korea has terminated its nuclear weapons program, including all efforts to acquire, develop, test, produce, or deploy such weapons; and (4) such cooperation is in the interest of the U.S. *Staff Contact: Kristen Gilley (Gilman), x5-5021*

Mr. Gejdenson will offer an amendment to express the sense of Congress that (1) the U.S. should recognize the crisis in Columbia and offer more political support to aide the peace process; (2) all extragovernmental combat groups, including the Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces (FARC), the National Liberation Army (ELN), and the United Self-Defense Forces of Columbia (AUC), should demonstrate a commitment to peace by ending violence; and (3) the U.S. should ask the national community to engage in resolving the wars in Columbia. Over the last decade, over 35,000 Colombians have been killed due to internal conflicts. The FARC, ELN, and AUC have waged the longest running anti-government offensives in Latin America. *Staff Contact: Jason Gross, x6-7919*

Mr. Bereuter will offer an amendment, debatable for 20 minutes, to express the sense of Congress that the president and the Secretary of State should intensify their efforts urging the Indonesian Government and military to (1) disarm and disband anti-independence militias in East Timor; (2) grant full access to East Timor by international human rights monitors, humanitarian organizations, and the press; and (3) allow Timorese who have been living in exile to return to East Timor to participate in the vote on its political status. It also mandates that the president prepare and transmit a report to Congress describing the efforts of the administration and the Indonesian government and military to ensure a stable environment for the August vote. On May 5, 1999, Indonesia and Portugal signed an agreement to allow a vote on the political status of East Timor. Some observers fear that the government of Indonesia will interfere with this historic election to prevent the territory from declaring independence. *Staff Contact: Mike Ennis, x6-7825*

Mr. Hastings (FL) will offer an amendment to express the sense of the House in support of the Haitian parliamentary and local elections scheduled for November 1999 and urging the State Department to review embassy operations and ensure that it has sufficient personnel and resources to aide in the success of the elections. *Staff Contact: Ann Jacobs, x5-1313*

Mr. Goodling will offer an amendment to withhold military assistance from countries that do not support the U.S. position in at least 25 percent of votes before the UN General Assembly. Under the amendment, humanitarian and developmental assistance to countries would not be affected. The State Department must submit a report to Congress annually outlining voting trends in the General Assembly. *Staff Contact: Christine O'Connor, x5-5836*

Mr. Condit will offer an amendment to place reporting requirements on all recipients of U.S. foreign assistance. The amendment mandates that any foreign country that receives assistance must report to the president (1) an annual justification report detailing how the assistance will be used; (2) a statement of needs and an analysis of how those needs will be met through assistance; (3) a detailed account of how the assistance has been used; and (4) an estimate of when the program objectives will be achieved so funding may be terminated. This amendment differs from current law because it requires each foreign country to submit an annual justification report through the president to Congress detailing how assistance will be used. *Staff Contact: Randy Groves, x5-6131*

Mr. Traficant will offer an amendment to allow only American-made goods and services to be used to provide U.S. assistance in reconstructing Kosovo. The amendment defines an American-made good as a good manufactured, assembled, grown, extracted, or mined in the U.S. with all, or a substantial amount of, American-made components. It also states that the U.S. may contribute such items as agricultural commodities, steel, construction material, farm machinery, human services, and other goods, for the reconstruction of Kosovo. *Staff Contact: Kimberly Harris Bliton, x5-5261*

Mr. Traficant will offer an amendment to require that all funds authorized in the bill (except those funds concerning Kosovo) must be used for procurement inside the U.S. or developing countries, unless Congress specifically authorizes procurement outside the U.S. or a developing country or the president determines that procurement outside the U.S. or a developing country would be a more efficient use of assistance. *Staff Contact: Kimberly Harris Bliton, x5-5261*

Mr. Stearns will offer an amendment to express the sense of Congress that employees of the State Department who inform Congress of facts relating to their responsibilities may not be demoted or removed from their current position or from federal employment. In 1996, Linda Shenwick, a department employee who reported to Congress on the unauthorized use of vehicles by the department, was removed unjustifiably from her position. After her testimony, she was demoted without pay and forced to pay legal fees obtained for her defense. *Staff Contact: Peter King, x5-5744*

Ms. Waters will offer an amendment to express the sense of Congress that the U.S. should increase support for democracy and human rights activists in Peru. The amendment also asks the U.S. to seek an independent investigation by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of American States on freedom of the press in Peru and secure the release of American Lori Berenson, who was accused of terrorist actions and declared guilty by a military judge. *Staff Contact: Veronique Pluviose-Fenton, x5-2201*

Ms. Capps and Mr. Houghton will offer an amendment to express the sense of Congress (1) commending the Israeli people for their dedication to democratic ideals in national elections on May 17, 1999, election; (2) congratulating Ehud Barak on his election as Prime Minister of Israel; and (3) pledging to work with the president and the new Israeli government to strengthen the bonds between the U.S. and Israel, and to advance peace in the Middle East. *Staff Contact: Jeremy Rabinovitz (Capps), x5-3601*

Messrs. Bilbray and Filner will offer an amendment to encourage the Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (IBWC) to enter into an agreement with Mexico to form a public-private partnership to solve the sewage pollution problems affecting the environment and public health in the area between San Diego, California, and Tijuana, Mexico. The amendment also encourages the U.S. section of the IBWC to aide Mexico in creating facilities for the primary and secondary treatment of water in the Tijuana area and to enter into a fee-for-service contract with Mexican water facilities in order to help them effectively treat water and reduce pollution. Under the 1944 Treaty for the Utilization of Waters of the Colorado and Tijuana Rivers and the Rio Grande, the U.S. and Mexico agreed "to give preferential attention to the solution of all border sanitation problems." *Staff Contact: Mary Niez (Filner), x5-8045*

Mr. Andrews will offer an amendment to express the sense of Congress that the water boundaries established in the 1923 Treaty of Lausanne and the 1932 Convention between Italy and Turkey are the borders between Greece and Turkey in the Aegean Sea and that any party objecting to these boundaries should seek redress in the Hague International Court of Justice. Despite the Treaty of Lausanne and the 1932 Convention, Turkey continues to claim sovereignty over islands in the Aegean Sea which the treaties established are not within its boundaries. *Staff Contact: Jette Gebhart, x5-6501*

Messrs. Andrews, Rohrabacher, Deutsch, McNulty, Calvert, Wu, and Bilirakis will offer an amendment, debatable for 20 minutes, to express the sense of Congress commending the people of Taiwan for

establishing democracy in Taiwan over the past decades and reaffirming their dedication to democratic ideals. The amendment also encourages the president to publicly urge the People's Republic of China to refrain from using military force against Taiwan. For decades, Taiwan has been a functioning democracy. Since 1996, China has threatened Taiwan with military action and implied a threat of force as recent as this week in response to Taiwan's statements regarding sovereignty. *Staff Contact: Jette Gebhart (Andrews), x5-6501*

Mr. Doggett will offer an amendment to authorize the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States to receive, determine the validity of, and certify claims by U.S. nationals (veterans of the Gulf War) against the Iraqi government, granting priority to claims by veterans and armed forces personnel. It also (1) allows the Treasury Secretary to establish an Iraq Claims fund for the payment of these claims; (2) permits the president to vest and liquidate Iraqi government assets in the U.S. that have been blocked pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act and allocate the proceeds to the fund to satisfy claims against the Iraqi government by U.S. nationals; and (3) provides reimbursement to the U.S. government for expenses incurred in administering this act. Finally, the amendment directs the commission to certify to the Secretary of State each award granted from the fund. *Staff Contact: Patrick Marotta, x-5-4865*

Mr. Engel will offer an amendment to express the concern over a large number of Kosovar Albanians held in Serbian prisons in Kosovo before and during the withdrawal of Serbian and Yugoslav police and military forces from Kosovo. The amendment expresses the sense of Congress that (1) the governments of Serbia and Yugoslavia should immediately account for all Kosovar Albanians held in their prisons and treat them in accordance with all applicable international standards; (2) the International Red Cross should be given full, immediate, and ongoing access to all Kosovar Albanians held in Serbian and Yugoslav prisons; and (3) all Kosovar Albanians held in these prisons without charge, in connection with political activities, or as prisoners of war due to their participation in military activities against the arms forces of Serbia and Yugoslavia, should be released and allowed home. *Staff Contact: Jason Steinbaum, x5-2464*

Messrs. Engel and Weiner will offer an amendment to ask the president to enlist the cooperation of all countries participating in the Geneva Convention to recognize the Magen David Adom Society in Israel as a full member of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement. The Magen David Adom Society is the national humanitarian society of Israel and operates according to all principles of the International Red Cross. *Staff Contact: Jason Steinbaum (Engel), x5-2464*

Mr. Delahunt will offer an amendment to mandate that annual State Department human rights reports on countries include instances of war crimes, crimes against humanity, and evidence of acts that constitute genocide. *Staff Contact: Mark Agrast, x5-3111*

Mr. Hall (OH) will offer an amendment, debatable for 20 minutes, to express the sense of Congress that the U.S. government does not in any way support the government of Burma, but strike language in the bill that prohibits U.S. contributions for humanitarian projects in Burma and calls on Congress to support humanitarian assistance in the region. *Staff Contact: Bob Zachritz, x5-6465*

Mr. Gilman will offer an amendment to urge the U.S. to provide support as requested by the Iraqi National Congress for holding a full Iraqi National Assembly session in Salahuddin, Iraq in the future. The amendment also addresses the issue of security requirements to support the assembly session. Finally, it

calls on the U.S. to provide assistance to the Iraqi democratic opposition following the conclusion of the assembly under the 1998 Iraq Liberation Act (*P.L. 105-338*). **Staff Contact:** *Kristen Gilley, x5-5021*

Additional Information: See *Legislative Digest* Vol. XXVIII, #20, July 9, 1999.



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